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## CURRENT PREVALENCE OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASES IN THE UNITED STATES<sup>1</sup>

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The prevalence of certain important communicable diseases, as indicated by weekly telegraphic reports from State health departments to the Public Health Service, is summarized in this report. The underlying statistical data are published weekly in the **PUBLIC HEALTH REPORTS**, under the section entitled "Prevalence of Disease."

*Influenza*.—All sections of the country showed a significant decrease in influenza during the current period, although the number of cases reported (7,076) for the country as a whole for the four weeks ended May 21 was the highest for this period in four years. A comparison of geographic areas shows that a similar situation existed in all areas except the West North Central. In that area the number of cases reported dropped slightly below the figures for 1931 and 1929, but was almost double the number for the same period in 1930.

*Scarlet fever*.—The total number of cases of scarlet fever (23,174) for the current 4-week period very closely approximated last year's figure for the same period, but was 1.5 times the number reported in 1930 and 1.3 times the number in 1929 for this period. In all areas except the New England and Middle Atlantic the incidence was lower for the current period than for the same time last year. In the Mountain and Pacific, South Central, and West North Central regions the incidence was the lowest in four years. Scarlet fever has been unusually prevalent in the New England and Middle Atlantic States. For the current period the number of cases totaled 14,039, as compared with 9,112, 6,280, and 5,648 for the same period in the years 1931, 1930, and 1929, respectively.

*Typhoid fever*.—For typhoid fever, the number of cases (679) reported for the four weeks ended May 21 was the lowest for the corresponding period in four years. The South Atlantic and South Central States reported slight increases as compared with the same period in 1931 and 1930, but the incidence was considerably below that

<sup>1</sup> From the Office of Statistical Investigations, U. S. Public Health Service. The numbers of States included for the various diseases are as follows: Typhoid fever, 47; poliomyelitis, 48; meningococcus meningitis, 48; smallpox, 48; measles, 45; diphtheria, 47; scarlet fever, 47; influenza, 39 States and New York City. The District of Columbia is counted as a State in these reports.

of 1929. The other four geographic areas reported the lowest incidence for the same period in four years.

*Meningococcus meningitis*.—After a rather sharp upward turn during the week ended April 23, the meningococcus meningitis incidence dropped back again to a more normal level. While the New England and Middle Atlantic States seemed mostly responsible for the rise, that area also reported a significant decrease (30 per cent) during the current period. A 35 per cent drop in the number of cases was also noted in the East North Central States. Compared with preceding years, for the country as a whole and for each geographic area, the incidence for the current period was the lowest for that period in four years.

*Measles*.—The number of cases of measles reported for the four weeks ended May 21 was 80,323. This number was approximately the same as was reported for this period last year, but represented an increase of about 4 per cent over the figure for the same period in 1930 and was 32 per cent in excess of the figure for 1929. The East North Central States continued to report an excess in the number of cases, the number for the current period (35,927) being almost twice the number for the same period last year, more than double the number in 1930, and 1.3 times the number in 1929. The South Central States approximated last year's figure, and the other areas showed decreases.

*Poliomyelitis*.—The poliomyelitis incidence was at the seasonal low level during the current 4-week period. Of the 70 cases reported, 10 occurred in California, 6 in Illinois, 4 each in New York, New Jersey, Ohio, and Wisconsin. The others were widely scattered over the country. For the country as a whole the incidence was the lowest in four years. Only one geographic area, the East North Central, showed an increase as compared with last year. While the number reported (20) from that area was not high, it was 1.4 times the number for the same period last year and was almost three times the number reported in 1930.

*Smallpox*.—The total number of cases of smallpox reported for the four weeks ended May 21 was 1,217, as compared with 3,424, 5,512, and 3,795 for the corresponding period in the years 1931, 1930, and 1929, respectively. For this period the New England and Middle Atlantic States reported 34 cases (18 in Vermont and 16 in New York), which is only the second time since the beginning of an outbreak in that area a year ago that the number of cases has been lower for a 4-week period than in the preceding year. In fact, this area, as well as all other areas, reported for the four weeks ended May 21 the lowest incidence of smallpox for this period in four years.

*Diphtheria*.—The incidence of diphtheria continued low. For the period under report the cases totaled 2,903. This was the lowest

number of cases reported for the same period in four years. Each geographic area shared in this favorable situation except the South Central. In that area the disease has been quite prevalent during the past year. While the number of cases (407) for the current four weeks was not high, it was the highest for this period in four years. The Mountain and Pacific States reported a slight decrease from last year's figure, but the incidence was considerably above the level of 1930 and 1929.

*Mortality from all causes.*—The average mortality rate from all causes in large cities, as reported by the Bureau of the Census, was 11.6 per thousand population (annual basis) for the four weeks ended May 21. Compared with preceding years the rate for this period in 1931 was 11.9, and the average for the years 1926 to 1930 was 13.4.

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## DURATION OF VIABILITY AND VIRULENCE OF *BACILLUS PESTIS*\*

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Tests are here reported of the viability and virulence of a single strain of *Bacillus pestis* P4-7 after being kept for several years under four different sets of conditions, namely—

(1) A plain agar culture remained unopened and without transfer for nine years at 10° C.

(2) An agar culture was transferred as a stock culture every three months for nine years and stored at 10° C.

(3) The spleen of plague guinea pig 8 was stored entire in glycerin at -15° C. and not tested until after seven years.

(4) A culture isolated from guinea pig 8 was suspended in glycerin, stored at -15° C., and tested at intervals.

*References to the literature.*—Schultz (1) established the viability and virulence of a 4-year-old plague culture. He sealed a culture in a tube of Marmorek bouillon, stored it in a cool place protected from light, and at the end of four years on transfer to fresh bouillon it grew in one to two days. All white mice into which the fresh culture was inoculated subcutaneously died in one to five days from plague.

Uriarte (2) found plague bacilli on culture media viable after 4½ years and still possessing quite high virulence.

McCoy (3) found plague cultures "Manila" and "New York" fully virulent for guinea pigs and white rats four years after original isolation but nonvirulent (4) for guinea pigs and white rats when cultures were tested seven years after isolation. Throughout the seven years the cultures had been subcultured every three or four months at 37° C. on plain agar and after paraffining the cotton stoppers they were stored in a dark room at a temperature of approximately 16° C.

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\* From the National Institute of Health, Washington.

Wilson (5) found a plague culture viable and virulent after remaining unopened for 10 years and 5 months. On June 8, 1903, he transplanted a plague culture to plain agar, sealed the tube with paraffin, and stored it in the ice box where it remained unopened until November 14, 1913. On the latter date the culture was transplanted; abundant growth appeared after 48 hours, and a subculture proved virulent for a guinea pig from which *B. pestis* was recovered in pure culture. Another culture of plague which was similarly transferred June 8, 1903, and not opened until November 14, 1913, grew when transferred on the latter date.

Schurupoff (6), working in Astrakhan and the Ural region in 1910, exhumed human corpses from their graves and inoculated guinea pigs with portions of spleen, liver, lung, and lymph glands by the cutaneous method. Corpses of those dead of plague as long as one year yielded viable and virulent plague bacilli, as shown by death of guinea pigs between the ninth and fourteenth days after inoculation and isolation of *B. pestis* from the blood and organs of these animals. Two factors had contributed to the preservation of the bodies in the ground, viz, the freezing temperature of winter and the large salt content (20 per cent) of the earth.

*History of experimental culture.*—Plague culture P4-7 was isolated from a California ground squirrel (*Citellus beecheyi* Richardson) at the plague laboratory of the United States Public Health Service in San Francisco, from which it was received December 11, 1922, at the National Institute of Health, in Washington. On receipt of the culture a 24-hour growth was injected subcutaneously into guinea pigs, which died between the fourth and sixth days, manifesting the typical lesions of plague. From December 11, 1922, to July 4, 1924, the strain was maintained by guinea pig passages which alternated at irregular unrecorded intervals with cultures on plain agar stored at 10° C. From July 4, 1924, to April 20, 1925, the strain was stored in a guinea pig spleen in pure undiluted neutral glycerin at -15° C.

*Fermentation reactions of experimental culture.*—Plague culture P4-7 employed throughout this 9-year study was tested for fermentation of sugars in 1923 before beginning work, and four tests were made again in 1932 upon (1) the culture used in Table 1, series 1; (2) the culture used in Table 2, series 1; (3) the culture isolated from guinea pig of Table 2, series 6; and (4) the culture after it had been transferred quarterly for nine years as a stock culture.

All these tests were in complete agreement. All tests were conducted at 37° C. in ordinary test tubes containing about 10 c c of the medium proposed by Enlows (7), which is composed of water, peptone, potassium and sodium salts, agar 0.15 per cent, brom thymol blue as an indicator, and the fermentable substance. This medium is

semisolid and supports the growth as a pellicle on the surface. A change in color of the medium from blue-green to yellow was taken to indicate acid fermentation. This change began at the surface of the tube and gradually extended to the bottom. The fermentation reactions of plague culture P4-7 are as follows: (1) Fermentation with production of acid but no gas in dextrose, levulose, mannose, mannitol, xylose, trehalose, salicin, maltose, and galactose; (2) slow fermentation of arabinose, dextrin, and adonitol; (3) no fermentation of saccharose, lactose, amygdalin, dulcitol, erythritol, inositol, inulin, raffinose, rhamnose, sorbitol, glycerin, starch or litmus milk; gelatin was not liquefied.

*Cutaneous inoculation.*—Plague material when rubbed on the shaved abraded skin of the abdomen of a guinea pig results in a general infection and death from plague. This method is known as "cutaneous inoculation" and is especially valuable in isolating a pure culture from grossly contaminated material.

(1) AGAR CULTURE UNOPENED FOR NINE YEARS AT 10° C.

On June 10, 1923, plague culture P4-7 was transferred to the slanted surface of a tube of plain agar having water of condensation. After two days' incubation at 37° C., the tube was sealed with a tight-fitting paraffined cork stopper, placed in a darkened cold room at a temperature of approximately 10° C., and left unopened for nine years, after which time it was cultured on plain agar. Growth was present at the end of 48 hours. The third subculture was inoculated subcutaneously into four guinea pigs, from one of which the strain was carried through three successive series of guinea pigs and three white rats by cutaneous inoculation and found to be fully virulent (see Table 1).

(2) AGAR CULTURE TRANSFERRED QUARTERLY FOR NINE YEARS AS A STOCK CULTURE, STORED AT 10° C.

On June 10, 1923, plague culture P4-7 was added to the general collection of stock cultures of the laboratory. Every three months thereafter for nine years this culture was transferred to an agar stab routinely along with other stock cultures. After incubation at 37° C., and dipping the cotton stopper into hot paraffin, stock cultures are stored in a darkened cold room at a temperature of approximately 10° C.

Having been carried nine years as a stock culture, P4-7 was tested for virulence in 1932 when it was transferred to fresh culture medium several times within a few days and two tubes of abundant growth were pooled and injected subcutaneously into five guinea pigs and four white rats, all of which remained well.

TABLE 1.—*Virulence of plague culture P4-7 after nine years on plain agar without transfer at 10° C.*

Guinea pigs	Date of inoculation, 1932	Day of death		Remarks
		Guinea pigs	White rats	
Series 1: Inoculated subcutaneously with culture.	Feb. 10	Sixth.....	.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		Seventh.....	.....	Do.
		Ninth.....	.....	Subacute plague lesions.
		Eleventh.....	.....	Do.
Series 2: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 1.	Feb. 16	Fifth.....	Second.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		Eighth.....	Third.....	Acute plague lesions.
		Fourteenth.....	do.....	Subacute plague lesions.
		Eighteenth.....	.....	Do.
Series 3: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 2.	Feb. 21	Fourth.....	.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		do.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		Sixth.....	.....	Do.
Series 4: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 3.	Feb. 25	Fourth.....	.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		Sixth.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		Ninth.....	.....	Do.

The nonvirulence of P4-7 after nine years as a stock culture is in sharp contrast to the high virulence of the culture which remained unopened and without transfer for nine years at 10° C. This difference in virulence is ascribed to the unfavorable influence which heat exerts upon a plague culture when, as a member of a collection of stock cultures, it is subjected quarterly for prolonged periods to 37° C. and to room temperature.

The attendant who transfers our general collection of stock cultures does not maintain a rigid rule of minimal exposure of cultures to heat at times of transfer but may permit them to remain at 37° C. for four or five days and at room temperature for two or three weeks at times of quarterly transfer. Such exposures, when often repeated, are well known to be destructive to virulence of *B. pestis*.

(3) SPLEEN OF GUINEA PIG 8 IN GLYCERIN SEVEN YEARS AT  
— 15° C.

On May 3, 1925, plague guinea pig 8 was killed on the sixth day after being rubbed on the abraded skin of the abdomen with spleen tissue of a plague guinea pig. The spleen of pig 8 was placed entire without mutilation in about 30 c c of pure undiluted glycerin in a glass-stoppered bottle and placed in a small room the temperature of which was maintained at approximately -15° C. The bottle remained unopened for seven years, until 1932, when one-third of the spleen was removed for testing and the remainder was replaced in the bottle and returned to -15° C. for retesting several years hence.

One-third of spleen 8, after being agitated in sterile saline solution to free it from glycerin, was cut into small fragments, one of which was tested for viability on culture medium and the remainder were tested for virulence by injection into guinea pigs.

*Viable after seven years.*—A small fragment of spleen was rubbed over the slanted surface of plain agar in a culture tube and then submerged in the water of condensation and incubated at 37° C. Growth was absent during the first 24 hours, but after 48 hours 12 colonies were visible, which were subcultured on the third day. The resultant growth manifested the tenacious character of a plague culture, stained bipolar, and gave the fermentation reactions of plague culture P4-7.

*Virulent after seven years.*—The high virulence of the culture which was recovered direct from spleen 8 is shown in Table 2 by the acute deaths of six successive series of guinea pigs and two series of white rats, none of the inoculated animals having survived. The white rats died sooner than the guinea pigs, which is in accord with the observations of McCoy (8) that "white rats frequently die a day or two earlier than guinea pigs." Added proof of the high virulence of spleen 8 is furnished by the acute deaths of five guinea pigs into which fragments of spleen 8 were injected subcutaneously.

TABLE 2.—*Virulence of plague culture isolated direct from spleen 8 after spleen had remained seven years in glycerin at -15° C.*

Guinea pigs	Date of inoculation, 1932	Day of death		Remarks
		Guinea pigs	White rats	
Series 1: Inoculated cutaneously with culture.	Feb. 16	Fifth.....	.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		Sixth.....	.....	Do.
		Seventh.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		Eighth.....	.....	Do.
Series 2: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 1.	Feb. 22	Fourth.....	Second.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
		do.....	do.....	Do.
		Fifth.....	do.....	Do.
Series 3: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 2.	Feb. 26	Fourth.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Do.
Series 4: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 3.	Mar. 1	Fourth.....	Second.....	Spleens bipolar bacilli.
		Eighth.....	Third.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Subacute plague lesions.
		Eleventh.....	.....	
Series 5: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 4.	Mar. 9	Fourth.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		Fifth.....	.....	Spleen, bipolar bacilli.
Series 6: Inoculated cutaneously with spleen from series 5.	Mar. 13	Third.....	.....	Acute plague lesions.
		Fourth.....	.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Do.
		do.....	.....	Do.

*Gross lesions in guinea pig and white rat.*—Table 2 demonstrates the high virulence for guinea pigs and white rats of plague spleen 8 after seven years' glycerination at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. The lesions produced will be referred to only in a general way.

Acute plague in guinea pigs, induced by cutaneous inoculation on the abdomen, shows, at the site of inoculation, edema, hemorrhage, and necrosis. The inguinal and pelvic lymph nodes are enlarged, soft, caseous, surrounded by edema and hemorrhage, and in smears show enormous numbers of bipolar bacilli, among which are round forms with clear center, when stained especially by methylene blue.<sup>1</sup> Spleen is enlarged, studded throughout with numerous focal lesions and rich in bipolar bacilli. Liver may show small nodules, but not with the same constancy as does the spleen. Lungs may show small discrete round spots on the surface.

Subacute plague in the guinea pig shows the inguinal and pelvic lymph glands much enlarged, firm, fibrous, and with pus at the center. Spleen is enlarged and contains a few rather large, firm nodules. Liver may contain firm, small nodules. Lungs may be consolidated or contain a few firm, large round nodules.

White rats, dead of acute laboratory infection of plague, do not manifest striking gross lesions. The spleen is enlarged, rarely shows nodules, and is rich in bipolar bacilli. The inguinal and axillary lymph nodes are only moderately enlarged, are firm, and are rich in bipolar bacilli. The liver occasionally shows a very fine white granular condition on the surface.

#### (4) PLAGUE BACILLI SUSPENDED IN GLYCERIN AT $-15^{\circ}$ C.

On May 3, 1925, plague guinea pig 8 was killed, and a culture was obtained from its heart blood. This culture was transferred to 16 plain agar tubes from which the growth was removed with a platinum loop and transferred to a rubber stoppered bottle containing about 5 c c of pure undiluted glycerin and placed at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. The culture before glycerination was inoculated subcutaneously into three guinea pigs and six white rats, causing death of the rats on the third and fourth days and death of the guinea pigs on the fifth, sixth, and seventh days.

*Virulent after nine months.*—The bacilli when tested after nine months of glycerination at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. grew on culture medium in 48 hours, and the resultant growth was fully virulent for three guinea pigs inoculated subcutaneously, killing them on the third, fourth, and sixth days and causing the typical acute lesions of plague in spleen and inguinal lymph nodes.

<sup>1</sup> Methylene blue, 0.75; basic fuchsin (saturated alcoholic solution), 2.5; carbolic acid (5 per cent solution), 88.0; alcohol (95 per cent) 10.0. Fix with heat, stain one minute. This formula originated in the plague laboratory of the U. S. Public Health Service at San Francisco and is excellent.



*Virulent after 14 months.*—The bacilli when tested after 14 months of glycerination at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. grew promptly on culture medium, and the resultant growth was quite virulent for four guinea pigs inoculated subcutaneously, causing death on the sixth, eighth, ninth, and tenth days with typical plague lesions of spleen and lymph nodes.

*Slightly virulent after two years seven months.*—The bacilli after two years seven months of glycerination at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. were inoculated subcutaneously into 4 guinea pigs, 1 of which died on the twenty-first day with caseous inguinal and pelvic lymph nodes, spleen negative; 1 died in the tenth week manifesting a caseous lymph node in the groin; 1 recovered, having had enlarged inguinal glands; and 1 remained well.

*Nonvirulent after three years five months.*—The bacilli when tested after three years five months of glycerination at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. failed to cause illness of two guinea pigs into which they were injected subcutaneously.

#### SUMMARY

A single strain of *Bacillus pestis* was subjected to four tests of duration of viability and virulence.

A. Pure undiluted neutral glycerin at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. was used for suspending the spleen of a plague guinea pig in one test, while a pure culture of *B. pestis* isolated from the same guinea pig was suspended in glycerin at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. in another test. The bacilli in the spleen were viable and fully virulent at the end of 7 years, while the glycerinated pure culture was fully virulent for 14 months, slightly virulent for 2 years, 7 months, and dead at the end of 3 years, 5 months.

B. A plain agar culture of *B. pestis* was stored at  $10^{\circ}$  C., sealed and unopened, for nine years in one test, while in another test a plain agar culture was subcultured every three months for nine years along with other cultures in a general collection of stock cultures stored at  $10^{\circ}$  C. The result at the end of nine years was viability and full virulence of the sealed culture, but viability and nonvirulence of the stock culture.

#### CONCLUSION

Pure undiluted neutral glycerin at  $-15^{\circ}$  C. was highly efficient for preserving for at least seven years the virulence of *B. pestis*, when protected by the protein substance of a guinea pig spleen. The combination of  $10^{\circ}$  C. and absence of transfer was also a highly efficient means of preserving the virulence of a culture of *B. pestis* on plain agar for at least nine years.

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### COURT DECISION RELATING TO PUBLIC HEALTH

*Labeling of soft drinks to indicate presence of saccharine.*—(New York Court of Appeals; *People ex rel Domingo v. French Bottling Works, Inc.*, 180 N. E., 537; decided Mar. 29, 1932.) The Greater New York Charter authorized the board of health of the city of New York to embrace in its sanitary code "all matters and subjects to which, and so far as, the power and authority of said department of health extends, not limiting their application to the subject of health only." Construing this, the court of appeals said that reasonable regulations to prevent adulteration and misbranding of food products were within the legitimate exercise of the powers thus granted, as being provisions for the security of health and life in the city of New York, and affirmed a conviction for violation of a provision of the sanitary code which required that the presence of "saccharine or other synthetic sweetening agent" in nonalcoholic carbonated beverages be indicated on the bottle or container or cap. The court, after quoting, with respect to saccharine, from several works, said:

Thus we have it that saccharine is a coal tar product, not to be used indiscriminately but only in small quantities. The presence of such sweetening in soft drinks might properly be required to be made known to the public by a proper label, if these definitions are correct.

While these definitions of saccharine are not conclusive on the fact, the people made out a *prima facie* case, and the burden of going on passed to defendant to meet the evidence against it. As it offered no evidence, the conviction was proper.

## DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED MAY 21, 1932

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for the week ended May 21, 1932, and corresponding week of 1931. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

	Week ended May 21, 1932	Corresponding week, 1931
Policies in force.....	73, 132, 558	75, 141, 735
Number of death claims.....	13, 796	13, 527
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate..	9. 9	9. 4
Death claims per 1,000 policies, first 20 weeks of year, annual rate.....	10. 5	10. 9

Deaths<sup>1</sup> from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended May 21, 1932, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1931. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)

[The rates furnished in this summary are based upon mid-year population estimates derived from the 1930 census]

City	Week ended May 21, 1932				Corresponding week, 1931		Death rate <sup>2</sup> for the first 20 weeks	
	Total deaths	Death rate <sup>1</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mortality rate <sup>1</sup>	Death rate <sup>1</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	1932	1931
Total (85 cities).....	7, 969	11. 4	672	4 56	11. 7	643	12. 4	13. 4
Akron.....	50	9. 8	5	62	7. 9	2	7. 7	8. 4
Albany.....	43	17. 2	2	41	15. 8	2	14. 9	15. 3
Atlanta.....	69	12. 7	3	29	16. 3	8	14. 1	16. 0
White.....	36	10. 0	2	29	13. 0	4	11. 1	12. 8
Colored.....	33	18. 0	1	29	22. 9	4	19. 9	22. 4
Baltimore.....	197	12. 6	11	39	14. 9	20	14. 5	16. 5
White.....	146	11. 4	9	41	13. 6	12	13. 5	15. 1
Colored.....	51	17. 8	2	32	21. 0	8	19. 3	22. 9
Birmingham.....	67	12. 6	2	21	10. 3	4	12. 2	15. 0
White.....	33	10. 0	1	16	7. 2	0	9. 8	11. 6
Colored.....	34	16. 9	1	27	15. 2	4	16. 0	20. 5
Boston.....	210	13. 9	17	51	14. 9	25	15. 5	16. 0
Bridgeport.....	25	8. 9	2	36	11. 7	6	11. 6	12. 4
Buffalo.....	151	13. 4	16	77	11. 9	14	13. 9	14. 8
Cambridge.....	28	12. 8	4	83	14. 2	1	14. 3	13. 9
Camden.....	35	15. 4	7	123	11. 8	3	16. 0	16. 7
Canton.....	12	5. 8	2	50	8. 3	2	10. 0	11. 4
Chicago.....	708	10. 5	66	65	10. 8	63	10. 8	11. 6
Cincinnati.....	105	11. 9	10	64	12. 8	5	16. 3	17. 4
Cleveland.....	204	11. 6	12	39	9. 5	14	12. 0	12. 3
Columbus.....	88	15. 4	7	70	15. 5	7	14. 6	15. 1
Dallas.....	40	7. 4	5	-----	11. 3	6	11. 0	12. 4
White.....	34	7. 6	4	-----	10. 9	6	10. 0	11. 0
Colored.....	6	6. 4	1	-----	13. 2	0	15. 4	19. 1
Dayton.....	43	10. 8	1	14	14. 3	2	13. 2	13. 2
Denver.....	75	13. 3	4	39	13. 2	6	15. 6	15. 2
Des Moines.....	46	16. 5	8	137	9. 4	3	12. 6	11. 8
Detroit.....	241	7. 3	33	59	8. 0	32	8. 4	9. 5
Duluth.....	28	14. 4	2	58	9. 7	1	11. 0	11. 5
El Paso.....	32	15. 6	7	-----	15. 4	3	14. 3	17. 1
Erie.....	31	13. 6	5	106	12. 0	1	12. 3	11. 8
Evansville.....	23	11. 3	8	100	9. 5	2	10. 0	11. 8
Fall River.....	25	11. 3	5	133	14. 9	4	13. 2	13. 4
Flint.....	24	7. 4	2	29	7. 9	6	8. 5	8. 0
Fort Wayne.....	25	10. 8	2	52	5. 3	0	10. 7	11. 5
Fort Worth.....	26	8. 0	1	-----	10. 0	3	10. 5	12. 4
White.....	23	8. 4	0	-----	8. 9	3	10. 1	11. 8
Colored.....	3	5. 9	1	-----	15. 3	0	12. 5	15. 2
Grand Rapids.....	33	9. 9	5	85	7. 9	2	9. 6	9. 7
Hartford.....	43	13. 2	4	53	-----	-----	-----	-----
Houston.....	59	9. 5	5	-----	9. 1	5	11. 1	11. 5
White.....	41	9. 0	4	-----	8. 3	5	10. 4	10. 6
Colored.....	18	11. 0	1	-----	11. 3	0	13. 1	13. 9
Indianapolis.....	93	13. 0	9	73	13. 0	5	13. 6	14. 8
White.....	76	12. 1	7	64	12. 7	5	13. 2	14. 4
Colored.....	17	19. 3	2	137	15. 0	0	16. 6	18. 2

See footnotes at end of table.

Deaths<sup>1</sup> from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended May 21, 1932, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1931. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)—Continued

City	Week ended May 21, 1932				Corresponding week, 1931		Death rate <sup>2</sup> for the first 20 weeks	
	Total deaths	Death rate <sup>1</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mortality rate <sup>1</sup>	Death rate <sup>1</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	1932	1931
Jersey City.....	69	11.2	5	41	12.1	6	12.1	13.2
Kansas City, Kans. <sup>1</sup> .....	37	15.6	1	22	14.8	5	13.1	14.6
White.....	31	16.2	1	27	14.7	4	12.7	13.6
Colored.....	6	13.2	0	0	15.5	1	14.3	18.9
Kansas City, Mo.....	82	10.3	4	45	13.0	9	12.9	14.7
Knoxville <sup>1</sup> .....	34	15.9	3	76	13.4	1	13.0	14.1
White.....	25	14.0	3	94	14.3	1	11.8	13.2
Colored.....	9	25.7	0	0	8.8	0	19.1	18.9
Long Beach.....	19	6.2	1	26	10.9	0	9.6	10.3
Los Angeles.....	267	10.1	18	53	10.3	15	11.2	11.4
Louisville <sup>1</sup> .....	64	10.8	3	27	9.8	5	14.1	16.0
White.....	45	9.0	3	31	8.0	3	12.7	14.3
Colored.....	19	20.8	0	0	19.7	2	21.9	25.0
Lowell <sup>1</sup> .....	31	16.2	6	157	9.9	3	14.6	13.8
Lynn.....	23	11.7	2	57	6.6	0	11.7	11.5
Memphis <sup>1</sup> .....	83	16.5	10	109	17.5	7	16.8	17.5
White.....	48	15.4	6	102	12.7	3	13.2	14.3
Colored.....	35	18.2	4	120	25.3	4	22.7	22.6
Miami <sup>1</sup> .....	21	9.6	1	28	11.1	0	12.4	13.7
White.....	15	8.9	1	39	7.8	0	11.4	12.8
Colored.....	6	12.4	0	0	22.7	0	16.0	16.8
Milwaukee.....	108	9.4	10	48	9.4	9	9.6	10.3
Minneapolis.....	91	9.9	4	26	10.7	4	11.2	12.0
Nashville <sup>1</sup> .....	32	10.7	1	15	16.4	1	15.2	17.8
White.....	22	10.1	1	20	15.3	0	14.0	15.5
Colored.....	10	12.2	0	0	19.5	1	18.4	23.9
New Bedford <sup>1</sup> .....	21	9.8	2	58	17.6	7	12.8	13.8
New Haven.....	34	10.9	3	60	11.2	0	13.4	13.3
New Orleans <sup>1</sup> .....	110	12.1	10	57	15.3	12	15.6	18.3
White.....	65	10.1	7	61	12.4	8	13.3	14.9
Colored.....	45	17.1	3	49	22.5	9	21.4	26.7
New York.....	1,539	11.1	136	61	11.1	110	11.8	12.9
Bronx Borough.....	208	7.9	17	40	8.7	11	8.7	9.3
Brooklyn Borough.....	548	10.7	60	66	10.0	48	11.0	11.9
Manhattan Borough.....	570	16.8	43	61	16.7	39	18.1	19.7
Queens Borough.....	164	7.1	13	54	7.2	10	7.5	8.3
Richmond Borough.....	49	15.3	3	59	13.7	2	14.6	14.2
Newark, N. J.....	94	11.0	16	88	12.5	8	11.8	13.2
Oakland.....	52	9.1	3	38	10.5	4	11.1	11.3
Oklahoma City.....	35	8.9	2	27	15.4	6	10.7	12.5
Omaha.....	68	13.9	5	56	11.3	5	14.5	14.4
Paterson.....	29	10.9	1	18	12.0	5	13.6	15.5
Peoria.....	25	11.8	2	55	9.6	4	12.0	13.5
Philadelphia.....	456	12.0	33	61	13.4	37	13.8	15.5
Pittsburgh.....	142	10.9	21	96	12.7	10	14.3	17.1
Portland, Oreg.....	80	13.4	3	38	12.4	8	12.1	12.5
Providence.....	69	12.0	4	39	15.3	8	15.0	14.8
Richmond <sup>1</sup> .....	47	13.3	2	30	13.0	2	14.8	17.4
White.....	26	10.3	1	22	10.7	1	12.4	15.0
Colored.....	21	20.8	1	46	18.7	1	20.9	23.5
Rochester.....	82	12.8	7	67	10.7	9	13.1	13.5
St. Louis.....	205	12.9	10	32	12.6	15	14.7	17.2
St. Paul.....	47	8.8	3	32	11.5	6	11.3	11.6
Salt Lake City <sup>1</sup> .....	29	10.4	1	16	12.4	3	11.3	12.9
San Antonio.....	72	15.2	8	43	18.9	24	14.5	16.1
San Diego.....	38	12.2	2	43	12.0	0	15.6	14.8
San Francisco.....	147	11.6	7	48	11.3	4	13.2	14.0
Schenectady.....	23	12.5	2	58	13.0	0	11.9	11.8
Seattle.....	102	14.2	5	59	9.8	2	12.5	12.6
Somerville.....	19	9.3	2	80	8.9	1	10.1	11.1
South Bend.....	10	4.7	1	29	9.4	0	8.0	9.0
Spokane.....	29	13.0	1	27	9.4	0	12.5	12.8
Springfield, Mass.....	36	12.2	1	17	13.3	3	11.9	13.8
Syracuse.....	48	11.6	5	64	10.0	4	12.7	12.7
Tacoma.....	26	12.5	0	0	8.9	1	12.8	13.8
Tampa <sup>1</sup> .....	27	13.1	2	57	9.2	3	12.6	11.9
White.....	23	14.1	1	35	8.8	1	12.1	11.9
Colored.....	4	9.2	1	158	9.4	1	14.7	17.1

See footnotes at end of table.

*Deaths<sup>1</sup> from all causes in certain large cities of the United States during the week ended May 21, 1932, infant mortality, annual death rate, and comparison with corresponding week of 1931. (From the Weekly Health Index, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce)—Continued*

City	Week ended May 21, 1932				Corresponding week, 1931		Death rate <sup>2</sup> for the first 20 weeks	
	Total deaths	Death rate <sup>2</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	Infant mortality rate <sup>3</sup>	Death rate <sup>2</sup>	Deaths under 1 year	1932	1931
Toledo.....	64	11.1	4	43	11.4	5	12.5	13.0
Trenton.....	36	15.2	3	59	17.7	2	17.4	19.0
Utica.....	23	11.7	1	28	10.7	0	17.2	16.0
Washington, D. C. <sup>4</sup> .....	172	18.2	14	79	16.7	10	17.5	17.7
White.....	118	17.3	6	49	14.1	3	15.6	15.1
Colored.....	54	20.7	8	142	23.6	7	22.5	24.6
Waterbury.....	18	9.3	3	99	9.3	1	10.1	10.9
Wilmington, Del. <sup>5</sup> .....	23	11.3	1	23	17.6	3	16.9	16.3
Worcester.....	58	15.3	2	28	9.3	3	13.6	14.5
Yonkers.....	23	8.5	4	103	7.9	2	8.5	9.7
Youngstown.....	34	10.1	8	130	10.0	1	10.8	11.4

<sup>1</sup> Deaths of nonresidents are included. Stillbirths are excluded.

<sup>2</sup> These rates represent annual rates per 1,000 population, as estimated for 1932 and 1931 by the arithmetical method.

<sup>3</sup> Deaths under 1 year of age per 1,000 estimated live births. Cities left blank are not in the registration area for births.

<sup>4</sup> Data for 81 cities.

<sup>5</sup> Deaths for week ended Friday.

<sup>6</sup> For the cities for which deaths are shown by color, the percentages of colored population in 1930 were as follows: Atlanta, 33; Baltimore, 18; Birmingham, 38; Dallas, 17; Fort Worth, 16; Houston, 27; Indianapolis, 12; Kansas City, Kans., 19; Knoxville, 16; Louisville, 15; Memphis, 38; Miami, 23; Nashville, 28; New Orleans, 29; Richmond, 29; Tampa, 21; and Washington, D. C., 27.

<sup>7</sup> Population Apr. 1, 1930; decreased 1920 to 1930, no estimate made.

# PREVALENCE OF DISEASE

*No health department, State or local, can effectively prevent or control disease without knowledge of when, where, and under what conditions cases are occurring*

## THE UNITED STATES

### CURRENT WEEKLY STATE REPORTS

These reports are preliminary, and the figures are subject to change when later returns are received by the State health officers

**Reports for Weeks Ended May 28, 1932, and May 30, 1931**

*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 28, 1932, and May 30, 1931*

Division and State	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles		Meningococcus meningitis	
	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931
<b>New England States:</b>								
Maine.....	1	4	1	6	253	17	0	1
New Hampshire.....	2	1	—	—	21	86	0	0
Vermont.....	—	1	—	—	269	42	0	0
Massachusetts.....	34	37	4	6	1,232	463	1	0
Rhode Island.....	3	4	—	—	43	123	0	0
Connecticut.....	6	3	3	2	273	435	0	0
<b>Middle Atlantic States:</b>								
New York.....	92	110	13	19	2,720	2,714	4	7
New Jersey.....	40	29	5	2	1,120	763	0	3
Pennsylvania.....	78	46	—	—	1,578	3,708	6	13
<b>East North Central States:</b>								
Ohio.....	15	38	5	25	808	1,396	0	5
Indiana.....	23	21	26	21	208	760	2	3
Illinois.....	51	175	32	9	821	2,317	2	19
Michigan.....	9	41	11	2	3,326	66	2	5
Wisconsin.....	9	5	14	22	1,617	781	2	3
<b>West North Central States:</b>								
Minnesota.....	6	10	—	—	46	167	2	1
Iowa.....	7	4	—	—	3	—	0	0
Missouri.....	23	30	3	3	78	365	0	5
North Dakota.....	6	6	—	—	115	31	0	3
South Dakota.....	4	11	—	—	8	33	1	0
Nebraska.....	13	4	—	3	1	1	1	2
Kansas.....	4	4	1	2	307	100	0	0
<b>South Atlantic States:</b>								
Delaware.....	—	2	—	—	2	91	0	0
Maryland <sup>1</sup> .....	10	8	4	11	41	828	0	3
District of Columbia.....	3	10	—	—	18	202	1	2
Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	2
West Virginia.....	10	8	11	32	436	180	3	0
North Carolina.....	12	6	25	2	703	693	3	4
South Carolina.....	6	17	355	289	134	115	0	5
Georgia <sup>1</sup> .....	9	2	92	37	95	145	0	2
Florida.....	3	3	1	2	3	191	0	0

<sup>1</sup> New York City only.

<sup>2</sup> Week ended Friday.

<sup>3</sup> Typhus fever, week ended May 28, 1932, 17 cases: 1 case in Virginia, 5 cases in Georgia, 4 cases in Alabama, and 7 cases in Texas.

*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 28, 1932, and May 30, 1931—Continued*

Division and State	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles		Meningococcus meningitis	
	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931
East South Central States:								
Kentucky.....	4	—	24	—	63	93	1	3
Tennessee.....	6	4	52	10	11	116	4	0
Alabama <sup>1</sup> .....	7	8	13	17	6	159	3	1
Mississippi.....	5	8	—	—	—	—	1	0
West South Central States:								
Arkansas.....	1	—	1	9	—	30	0	0
Louisiana.....	35	21	4	25	8	2	2	3
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	9	7	8	31	14	42	0	1
Texas <sup>1</sup> .....	16	16	13	20	30	72	0	0
Mountain States:								
Montana.....	—	—	3	—	56	6	0	2
Idaho.....	3	—	2	—	1	4	0	1
Wyoming.....	1	—	—	1	37	2	0	0
Colorado.....	5	6	—	—	63	137	1	0
New Mexico.....	5	5	—	—	25	58	0	0
Arizona.....	2	3	2	1	—	13	1	0
Utah <sup>1</sup> .....	—	—	—	1	—	2	1	2
Pacific States:								
Washington.....	9	1	—	—	232	281	0	1
Oregon.....	2	3	19	10	210	53	2	0
California.....	57	43	40	33	550	899	1	0
Total.....	646	765	787	643	17,590	18,751	47	102

Division and State	Poliomyelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931
New England States:								
Maine.....	0	0	21	27	0	0	2	4
New Hampshire.....	0	0	22	1	0	0	0	0
Vermont.....	0	0	6	3	0	1	0	0
Massachusetts.....	1	1	469	240	0	0	4	3
Rhode Island.....	0	0	45	36	0	0	0	0
Connecticut.....	0	0	127	35	0	0	2	1
Middle Atlantic States:								
New York.....	4	4	1,322	585	0	9	6	21
New Jersey.....	2	0	326	231	0	0	1	2
Pennsylvania.....	2	0	649	679	0	0	8	7
East North Central States:								
Ohio.....	0	2	143	516	8	58	3	7
Indiana.....	0	0	51	131	10	98	2	1
Illinois.....	2	1	294	669	7	74	11	11
Michigan.....	1	0	431	449	9	11	6	1
Wisconsin.....	1	1	66	93	1	80	2	1
West North Central States:								
Minnesota.....	0	2	108	77	4	7	1	0
Iowa.....	0	0	34	36	16	69	4	1
Missouri.....	0	1	41	143	1	34	0	4
North Dakota.....	2	0	4	17	3	0	0	1
South Dakota.....	1	0	6	9	1	9	0	1
Nebraska.....	0	0	11	18	15	46	1	1
Kansas.....	0	0	31	23	5	49	6	2

<sup>1</sup> Week ended Friday.

<sup>2</sup> Typhus fever, week ended May 28, 1932, 17 cases: 1 case in Virginia, 5 cases in Georgia, 4 cases in Alabama, and 7 cases in Texas.

<sup>3</sup> Figures for 1932 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

*Cases of certain communicable diseases reported by telegraph by State health officers for weeks ended May 28, 1932, and May 30, 1931—Continued*

Division and State	Polio-myelitis		Scarlet fever		Smallpox		Typhoid fever	
	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931	Week ended May 28, 1932	Week ended May 30, 1931
<b>South Atlantic States:</b>								
Delaware.....	0	0	18	12	0	0	1	2
Maryland <sup>1</sup> .....	0	0	80	65	0	0	8	9
District of Columbia.....	0	0	17	25	0	0	0	0
Virginia <sup>1</sup> .....	0	0						
West Virginia.....	1	0	32	23	0	3	5	1
North Carolina.....	1	1	23	30	5	4	8	5
South Carolina.....	1	0	3	5	1	0	12	19
Georgia <sup>1</sup> .....	2	0	8	55	0	0	37	19
Florida.....	0	0	2	2	1	0	4	3
<b>East South Central States:</b>								
Kentucky.....	0	1	38	20	7	7	8	6
Tennessee.....	1	0	7	13	7	0	14	2
Alabama <sup>1</sup> .....	0	0	4	23	13	2	5	13
Mississippi.....	1	3	5	9	11	34	8	10
<b>West South Central States:</b>								
Arkansas.....	0	0	1	10	6	23	3	5
Louisiana.....	0	3	13	15	0	19	20	17
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1	0	3	11	33	44	0	6
Texas <sup>1</sup> .....	1	0	14	28	31	27	6	6
<b>Mountain States:</b>								
Montana.....	1	0	21	14	2	2	0	1
Idaho.....	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	1
Wyoming.....	0	0	2	15	1	0	1	0
Colorado.....	0	0	19	28	1	0	5	1
New Mexico.....	0	0	8	3	1	1	2	1
Arizona.....	0	0	4	4	0	0	0	3
Utah <sup>1</sup> .....	0	0	8	3	0	0	0	0
<b>Pacific States:</b>								
Washington.....	0	0	22	20	6	16	4	3
Oregon.....	0	0	6	13	6	18	1	0
California.....	1	3	152	103	20	7	26	6
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>4,713</b>	<b>4,571</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>752</b>	<b>237</b>	<b>208</b>

<sup>1</sup> Week ended Friday.

<sup>2</sup> Typhus fever, week ended May 28, 1932, 17 cases: 1 case in Virginia, 5 cases in Georgia. 4 cases in Alabama, and 7 cases in Texas.

<sup>3</sup> Figures for 1932 are exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

## SUMMARY OF MONTHLY REPORTS FROM STATES

The following summary of cases reported monthly by States is published weekly and covers only those States from which reports are received during the current week:

State	Cerebro-spinal meningitis	Diphtheria	Influenza	Malaria	Measles	Pellagra	Polio-myelitis	Scarlet fever	Smallpox	Typhoid fever
<i>April, 1932</i>										
Arkansas.....	7	12	487	21	10	63	0	19	46	9
Colorado.....	6	29	1		664		0	152	5	5
Nevada.....	2		2		50		0	3	1	1
North Carolina.....	2	69	812		2,505	96	8	256	11	18
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	6	59	799	35	157	21	0	81	55	25
Oregon.....	2	9	288	2	1,434		0	81	72	13
South Carolina.....		108	8,957	796	695	336	2	35	2	31
South Dakota.....	1	19	7		36		1	13	7	8
Virginia.....	11	86	5,500	18	434	50	0	240	3	28
Washington.....	2	21	94		1,608		1	143	106	6

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.



<i>April, 1932</i>			
<b>Botulism:</b>	<b>Cases</b>	<b>Puerperal septicemia:</b>	<b>Cases</b>
Washington.....	1	Washington.....	1
<b>Chicken pox:</b>		<b>Rabies in animals:</b>	
Arkansas.....	70	South Carolina.....	15
Colorado.....	463	<b>Rocky Mountain spotted or tick fever:</b>	
Nevada.....	23	Colorado.....	3
North Carolina.....	505	Nevada.....	2
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	78	Oregon.....	12
Oregon.....	181	South Dakota.....	1
South Carolina.....	167	<b>Scabies:</b>	
South Dakota.....	20	Oregon.....	50
Virginia.....	553	<b>Septic sore throat:</b>	
Washington.....	269	North Carolina.....	10
<b>Conjunctivitis:</b>		Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	26
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	2	Oregon.....	3
<b>Dengue:</b>		South Carolina.....	6
South Carolina.....	10	<b>Tetanus:</b>	
<b>Diarrhea:</b>		Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	1
South Carolina.....	539	South Carolina.....	2
<b>Dysentery:</b>		<b>Trachoma:</b>	
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	6	Arkansas.....	5
Virginia.....	152	Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	12
<b>German measles:</b>		Oregon.....	1
Colorado.....	2	South Dakota.....	1
North Carolina.....	97	<b>Tularæmia:</b>	
Washington.....	85	South Carolina.....	2
<b>Hookworm disease:</b>		Virginia.....	1
South Carolina.....	105	<b>Typhus fever:</b>	
<b>Impetigo contagiosa:</b>		North Carolina.....	1
Colorado.....	12	South Carolina.....	1
Oregon.....	57	<b>Undulant fever:</b>	
Washington.....	1	Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	2
<b>Jaundice:</b>		South Dakota.....	1
Colorado.....	3	Washington.....	1
<b>Lethargic encephalitis:</b>		<b>Vincent's angina:</b>	
Colorado.....	1	Colorado.....	8
Oregon.....	1	Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	2
Washington.....	2	Oregon.....	10
<b>Mumps:</b>		Washington.....	3
Arkansas.....	54	<b>Whooping cough:</b>	
Colorado.....	602	Arkansas.....	53
Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	53	Colorado.....	212
Oregon.....	157	Nevada.....	40
South Carolina.....	314	North Carolina.....	1,601
South Dakota.....	26	Oklahoma <sup>1</sup> .....	122
Washington.....	76	Oregon.....	181
<b>Ophthalmia neonatorum:</b>		South Carolina.....	181
North Carolina.....	3	South Dakota.....	138
South Carolina.....	22	Virginia.....	1,610
South Dakota.....	2	Washington.....	155
Washington.....	1		
<b>Paratyphoid fever:</b>			
Arkansas.....	8		
South Carolina.....	5		

<sup>1</sup> Exclusive of Oklahoma City and Tulsa.

# **ADMISSIONS TO HOSPITALS FOR THE INSANE, OCTOBER, 1930**

Reports for the month of October, 1930, showing new admissions to hospitals for the care and treatment of the insane, were received by the Public Health Service from 113 hospitals, located in 36 States, the District of Columbia, and the Territory of Hawaii. The 113 hospitals had 169,160 patients on October 31, 1930, 90,363 males and 78,797 females, the ratio being 115 males per 100 females.

The following table gives the number of new admissions for the month of October, 1930:

Psychoses	Male	Female	Total
1. Traumatic psychoses.....	18	0	18
2. Senile psychoses.....	150	133	283
3. Psychoses with cerebral arteriosclerosis.....	189	122	311
4. General paralysis.....	208	68	276
5. Psychoses with cerebral syphilis.....	17	10	27
6. Psychoses with Huntington's chorea.....	2	0	2
7. Psychoses with brain tumor.....	1	0	1
8. Psychoses with other brain or nervous disease.....	17	18	35
9. Alcoholic psychoses.....	146	19	165
10. Psychoses due to drugs and other exogenous toxins.....	11	12	23
11. Psychoses with pellagra.....	5	12	17
12. Psychoses with other somatic diseases.....	25	37	62
13. Manic-depressive psychoses.....	152	259	411
14. Involution melancholia.....	20	37	57
15. Dementia præcox (schizophrenia).....	298	264	562
16. Paranoia and paranoid conditions.....	25	30	54
17. Epileptic psychoses.....	43	22	65
18. Psychoneuroses and neuroses.....	27	50	77
19. Psychoses with psychopathic personality.....	33	11	44
20. Psychoses with mental deficiency.....	63	57	120
21. Undiagnosed psychoses.....	99	69	168
22. Without psychosis.....	191	58	249
Total.....	1,710	1,257	2,967

During the month of October, 1930, there were 2,997 new admissions to these hospitals, 57.1 per cent of the new admissions being males and 42.9 per cent females, the ratio being 133 males per 100 females. Four hundred and seventeen of the new admissions were reported as being undiagnosed or "without psychosis." There were 2,580 new admissions for whom provisional diagnoses were made. Of these 2,580 patients, cases of dementia præcox constituted 21.8 per cent; manic-depressive psychoses, 15.9 per cent; senile psychoses, 11 per cent; psychoses with cerebral arteriosclerosis, 10.9 per cent; and general paralysis, 10.7 per cent. These five classes accounted for 70.3 per cent of the new admissions for whom diagnoses were made.

The following table shows the number of patients in the hospitals and on parole on October 31, 1930:

	Patients on books		
	Male	Female	Total
Patients on books last day of month:			
In hospitals.....	82,248	71,916	154,164
On parole or otherwise absent, but still on books.....	8,115	6,881	14,996
Total.....	90,363	78,797	169,160

Of the 169,160 patients, 8,115 males and 6,881 females were on parole or otherwise absent but still on the books at the end of the month, 9.0 per cent of the males, 8.7 per cent of the females, and 8.9 per cent of the total number of patients.

#### GENERAL CURRENT SUMMARY AND WEEKLY REPORTS FROM CITIES

The 97 cities reporting cases used in the following table are situated in all parts of the country and have an estimated aggregate population of more than 34,025,000. The estimated population of the 90 cities reporting deaths is more than 32,470,000. The estimated expectancy is based on the experience of the last nine years, excluding epidemics.

*Weeks ended May 21, 1932, and May 23, 1931*

	1932	1931	Estimated expectancy
<i>Cases reported</i>			
Diphtheria:			
46 States.....	741	791	-----
97 cities.....	253	399	702
Measles:			
45 States.....	20,161	20,080	-----
97 cities.....	7,299	8,811	-----
Meningococcus meningitis:			
46 States.....	65	122	-----
97 cities.....	24	70	-----
Pollomyelitis:			
46 States.....	15	19	-----
Scarlet fever:			
46 States.....	5,523	4,727	-----
97 cities.....	2,497	2,357	1,355
Smallpox:			
46 States.....	296	755	-----
97 cities.....	39	100	60
Typhoid fever:			
46 States.....	196	170	-----
97 cities.....	49	41	34
<i>Deaths reported</i>			
Influenza and pneumonia:			
60 cities.....	644	619	-----
Smallpox:			
90 cities.....	0	0	-----

## City reports for week ended May 21, 1933

The "estimated expectancy" given for diphtheria, poliomyelitis, scarlet fever, smallpox, and typhoid fever is the result of an attempt to ascertain from previous occurrence the number of cases of the disease under consideration that may be expected to occur during a certain week in the absence of epidemics. It is based on reports to the Public Health Service during the past nine years. It is in most instances the median number of cases reported in the corresponding weeks of the preceding years. When the reports include several epidemics, or when for other reasons the median is unsatisfactory, the epidemic periods are excluded, and the estimated expectancy is the mean number of cases reported for the week during non-epidemic years.

If the reports have not been received for the full nine years, data are used for as many years as possible, but no year earlier than 1923 is included. In obtaining the estimated expectancy, the figures are smoothed when necessary to avoid abrupt deviation from the usual trend. For some of the diseases given in the table the available data were not sufficient to make it practicable to compute the estimated expectancy.

Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles, cases re- ported	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported
		Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported			
NEW ENGLAND								
Maine:								
Portland	1	0	0		0	1	3	1
New Hampshire:								
Concord	0	0	0		0	6	0	1
Manchester	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
Nashua	0	1	1		0	0	0	0
Vermont:								
Barre	1	0	0		0	0	5	0
Burlington	1	0	0		0	1	3	0
Massachusetts:								
Boston	38	25	13	2	0	109	73	23
Fall River	4	2	2		0	57	0	4
Springfield	10	2	0		0	159	13	3
Worcester	13	3	1		0	9	4	6
Rhode Island:								
Pawtucket	0	1	0		0	0	0	4
Providence	3	5	1		0	29	1	3
Connecticut:								
Bridgeport	3	4	0		0	25	0	0
Hartford	2	3	0	2	0	2	13	6
New Haven	7	1	0	1	0	0	12	1
MIDDLE ATLANTIC								
New York:								
Buffalo	18	9	1		0	60	3	12
New York	279	233	19	12	13	570	219	172
Rochester	6	3	2		0	22	22	4
Syracuse	3	1	0		0	311	21	2
New Jersey:								
Camden	3	7	1		1	0	3	0
Newark	44	13	4	2	0	60	200	9
Trenton	9	2	1		0	2	0	3
Pennsylvania:								
Philadelphia	97	55	2	1	1	14	92	25
Pittsburgh	59	16	2	2	1	165	21	26
Reading	16	1	0		0	3	1	0
Scranton	1		0		0	6	1	0
EAST NORTH CENTRAL								
Ohio:								
Cincinnati	11	4	0		1	5	0	6
Cleveland	121	20	6	15	0	870	91	17
Columbus	17	3	2	1	1	55	3	8
Toledo	46	3	1	2	2	80	0	2
Indiana:								
Fort Wayne	1	1	2		0	0	0	0
Indianapolis	54	2	3		0	27	168	15
South Bend	8	0	0		1	4	0	0
Terre Haute	1	0	0		0	28	0	1
Illinois:								
Chicago	142	77	35	3	3	667	14	50
Springfield	11	0	0		0	0	7	1
Michigan:								
Detroit	2	39	7	3	3	1,340	79	26
Flint	19	2	0	6	0	141	55	5
Grand Rapids	4	1	0		0	43	24	4
Wisconsin:								
Kenosha	2	0	3		0	190	1	0
Madison	6	2	0			2	0	
Milwaukee	88	10	2		0	1,271	22	9
Racine	13	0	1		0	239	17	1
Superior	2	0	0		0	8	19	1

## City reports for week ended May 21, 1932—Continued

Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles, cases reported	Mumps, cases reported	Pneumonia, deaths reported
		Cases, estimated expectancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported			
WEST NORTH CENTRAL								
Minnesota:								
Duluth.....	8	0	0		2	0	0	3
Minneapolis.....	17	10	2		0	10	42	8
St. Paul.....	17	8	0	3	3	9	32	2
Iowa:								
Davenport.....	1	0	0			0		
Des Moines.....	0	1	2			0	0	
Sioux City.....	16	0	0			0	4	
Waterloo.....	2	1	0			0	1	
Missouri:								
Kansas City.....	24	3	4		1	10	49	11
St. Joseph.....	2	0	2		0	0	2	4
St. Louis.....	29	32	21			18	6	4
North Dakota:								
Fargo.....	28	0	0		1	14	0	1
Grand Forks.....	0	0	0			9	0	
South Dakota:								
Aberdeen.....	1	0	0			6	0	
Nebraska:								
Omaha.....	30	2	14		0	3	14	0
Kansas:								
Topeka.....	49	1	0		0	5	4	0
Wichita.....	9	1	1		0	30	5	3
SOUTH ATLANTIC								
Delaware:								
Wilmington.....	1	1	1		0	0	2	2
Maryland:								
Baltimore.....	114	17	7	2	1	4	151	19
Cumberland.....	0	0	0		0	31	0	1
Frederick.....	0	0	0		0	3	0	0
District of Columbia:								
Washington.....	45	9	5		0	18	0	14
Virginia:								
Lynchburg.....	15	0	0		0	5	0	0
Norfolk.....	1	0	1		0	8	10	2
Richmond.....	2	2	0		0	0	0	0
Roanoke.....	4	0	0		1	0	0	1
West Virginia:								
Charleston.....	0	1	0	1	0	23	0	1
Huntington.....	1		0		0	8	0	0
Wheeling.....	1	0	0		0	44	0	1
North Carolina:								
Raleigh.....	6	0	0		0	2	0	0
Wilmington.....	3	0	0		1	0	0	1
Winston-Salem.....	4	0	1		0	33	7	3
South Carolina:								
Charleston.....	1	0	1	34	0	0	0	2
Columbia.....	9	0	0		0	83	0	0
Greenville.....	0	0	0		0	37	0	0
Georgia:								
Atlanta.....	0	1	2	4	0	7	0	6
Brunswick.....	0	0	0		0	0	3	0
Savannah.....	0	0	0	61	0	1	0	1
Florida:								
Miami.....	6	1	0		0	0	0	1
Tampa.....	0	0	0		0	0	0	0
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Kentucky:								
Covington.....	0	0	0		1	0	0	0
Tennessee:								
Memphis.....	9	1	0		0		0	4
Nashville.....	4	0	1		0	0	0	2
Alabama:								
Birmingham.....	5	1	1	2	0	1	2	5
Mobile.....	2	0	0		0	0	0	1
Montgomery.....	0	0	0			0	0	

## City reports for week ended May 21, 1932—Continued

Division, State, and city	Chicken pox, cases reported	Diphtheria		Influenza		Measles, cases re- ported	Mumps, cases re- ported	Pneu- monia, deaths reported
		Cases, estimated expect- ancy	Cases reported	Cases reported	Deaths reported			
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL								
Arkansas:								
Fort Smith.....	0	0	0	-----	-----	0	0	-----
Little Rock.....	1	0	0	-----	0	0	0	1
Louisiana:								
New Orleans.....	1	9	13	2	2	0	0	5
Shreveport.....	3	0	1	-----	0	5	9	2
Oklahoma:								
Muskogee.....	0	-----	0	-----	0	0	1	-----
Oklahoma City...	10	1	0	14	0	15	0	4
Texas:								
Dallas.....	2	2	8	1	1	-----	0	2
Fort Worth.....	15	2	2	-----	0	1	0	3
Galveston.....	0	0	3	-----	0	0	0	2
Houston.....	0	2	4	-----	0	9	0	4
San Antonio.....	0	2	0	-----	3	0	0	7
MOUNTAIN								
Montana:								
Billings.....	0	0	0	-----	0	0	0	0
Great Falls.....	0	0	0	-----	0	2	0	0
Helena.....	5	0	0	-----	0	1	0	0
Missoula.....	0	0	0	-----	0	0	0	2
Idaho:								
Boise.....	-----	0	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
Colorado:								
Denver.....	114	6	5	-----	0	92	47	6
Pueblo.....	11	0	0	-----	0	0	0	1
New Mexico:								
Albuquerque.....	3	0	0	1	0	17	2	1
Arizona:								
Phoenix.....	1	0	1	-----	0	0	0	2
Utah:								
Salt Lake City...	108	2	1	-----	0	0	8	4
Nevada:								
Reno.....	0	0	0	-----	0	0	0	0
PACIFIC								
Washington:								
Seattle.....	5	2	2	-----	-----	43	7	-----
Spokane.....	21	1	0	-----	-----	4	0	-----
Tacoma.....	6	1	0	-----	0	55	8	1
Oregon:								
Portland.....	1	4	2	-----	1	126	10	6
Salem.....	1	0	3	1	-----	1	5	-----
California:								
Los Angeles.....	139	27	37	43	0	17	20	8
Sacramento.....	34	0	4	-----	0	15	2	5
San Francisco.....	59	11	1	2	0	215	12	6



## City reports for week ended May 21, 1932—Continued

Division, State, and city	Scarlet fever		Smallpox			Tuber- culo- sis, deaths re- ported	Typhoid fever			Whoop- ing cough, cases re- ported	Deaths, all causes
	Cases, esti- mated expec- tancy	Cases re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expec- tancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported		Cases, esti- mated expec- tancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported		
WEST NORTH CENTRAL											
Minnesota:											
Duluth.....	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	28
Minneapolis.....	27	40	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	20	91
St. Paul.....	19	11	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	36	51
Iowa:											
Davenport.....	1	5	5	0	—	—	0	0	—	0	—
Des Moines.....	6	12	2	1	1	—	0	0	—	0	46
Sioux City.....	2	3	0	3	—	—	0	0	—	1	—
Waterloo.....	1	1	1	0	—	—	0	0	—	0	—
Missouri:											
Kansas City.....	16	9	1	0	0	8	1	1	0	15	82
St. Joseph.....	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	22
St. Louis.....	62	15	2	0	0	9	1	3	0	21	205
North Dakota:											
Fargo.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Grand Forks.....	1	0	0	0	—	—	0	0	—	9	—
South Dakota:											
Aberdeen.....	0	1	0	0	—	—	0	0	—	6	—
Nebraska:											
Omaha.....	5	18	5	9	0	0	0	0	0	5	58
Kansas:											
Topeka.....	2	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	22	12
Wichita.....	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	24
SOUTH ATLANTIC											
Delaware:											
Wilmington.....	4	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	23
Maryland:											
Baltimore.....	39	49	0	0	0	15	1	2	0	104	197
Cumberland.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Frederick.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
Dist. of Columbia:											
Washington.....	22	20	1	0	0	13	0	1	0	8	172
Virginia:											
Lynchburg.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	24	12
Norfolk.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	22
Richmond.....	4	6	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	42
Roanoke.....	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	18
West Virginia:											
Charleston.....	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	15
Huntington.....	—	2	—	0	0	—	—	1	—	—	—
Wheeling.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	15
North Carolina:											
Raleigh.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	3	13
Wilmington.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	14	10
Winston-Salem.....	0	12	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	31	11
South Carolina:											
Charleston.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2	1	0	20
Columbia.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	6	6
Greenville.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	—
Georgia:											
Atlanta.....	4	2	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	4	69
Brunswick.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	7
Savannah.....	0	2	0	0	0	3	0	5	0	1	42
Florida:											
Miami.....	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	21
Tampa.....	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	20
EAST SOUTH CENTRAL											
Kentucky:											
Covington.....	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Tennessee:											
Memphis.....	8	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	0	42	83
Nashville.....	2	1	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	7	32
Alabama:											
Birmingham.....	0	1	1	0	0	3	0	0	0	4	67
Mobile.....	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	1	0	0	18
Montgomery.....	0	1	0	0	—	—	1	0	—	0	—



## City reports for week ended May 21, 1932—Continued

Division, State, and city	Scarlet fever		Smallpox			Tuber- culo- sis, deaths re- ported	Typhoid fever			Whoop- ing cough, cases re- ported	Deaths, all causes
	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported		Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases re- ported	Deaths re- ported		
WEST SOUTH CENTRAL											
Arkansas:											
Fort Smith.....	0	0	0	0	—	—	0	0	—	1	—
Little Rock.....	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	0	0	3	4
Louisiana:											
New Orleans.....	10	11	1	0	0	12	2	1	1	1	110
Shreveport.....	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	6	40
Oklahoma:											
Muskogee.....	—	0	—	1	—	—	—	0	—	0	—
Oklahoma City.....	2	6	2	1	0	8	0	0	0	14	35
Texas:											
Dallas.....	3	1	1	5	0	3	0	0	0	11	40
Fort Worth.....	2	8	5	6	0	3	0	0	0	0	26
Galveston.....	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	15
Houston.....	2	2	2	0	0	6	1	1	0	0	58
San Antonio.....	0	0	1	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	72
MOUNTAIN											
Montana:											
Billings.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Great Falls.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
Helena.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Missoula.....	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Idaho:											
Boise.....	0	—	0	—	—	—	0	—	—	—	—
Colorado:											
Denver.....	12	16	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	23	70
Pueblo.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	7
New Mexico:											
Albuquerque.....	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	8
Arizona:											
Phoenix.....	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	—
Utah:											
Salt Lake City.....	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	15	29
Nevada:											
Reno.....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
PACIFIC											
Washington:											
Seattle.....	8	3	2	1	—	—	1	0	—	1	—
Spokane.....	3	0	6	1	—	—	0	0	—	7	—
Tacoma.....	8	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	26
Oregon:											
Portland.....	4	3	8	3	0	4	0	0	0	2	80
Salem.....	0	0	1	1	—	—	—	0	—	1	—
California:											
Los Angeles.....	30	72	6	2	0	23	1	0	0	74	267
Sacramento.....	2	0	0	0	0	8	0	1	0	0	35
San Francisco.....	20	8	1	3	0	13	1	4	1	16	147

Division, State, and city	Meningococcus meningitis		Lethargic encephalitis		Pellagra		Poliomyelitis (infantile paralysis)			
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases, estimated expectancy	Cases	Deaths	
<b>NEW ENGLAND</b>										
Massachusetts:										
Boston.....	1	1	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Worcester.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Rhode Island:										
Providence.....	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## City reports for week ended May 21, 1932—Continued

Division, State, and city	Meningo- coccus meningitis		Lethargic en- cephalitis		Pellagra		Poliomyelitis (infan- tile paralysis)		
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths	Cases, esti- mated expect- ancy	Cases	Deaths
<b>MIDDLE ATLANTIC</b>									
New York:									
New York <sup>1</sup> .....	3	2	3	0	0	0	1	1	0
New Jersey:									
Trenton.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Pennsylvania:									
Philadelphia.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Pittsburgh.....	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>EAST NORTH CENTRAL</b>									
Indiana:									
Indianapolis.....	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Illinois:									
Chicago.....	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Michigan:									
Detroit.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Flint.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wisconsin:									
Racine.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>WEST NORTH CENTRAL</b>									
Minnesota:									
Minneapolis.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Paul.....	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Missouri:									
St. Louis.....	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Dakota:									
Fargo.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
<b>SOUTH ATLANTIC</b>									
Maryland:									
Baltimore.....	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
District of Columbia:									
Washington.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Virginia:									
Norfolk.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Richmond.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
West Virginia:									
Wheeling.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
North Carolina:									
Winston-Salem.....	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
South Carolina:									
Charleston.....	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	1	0
Columbia.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
Georgia:									
Atlanta.....	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
Savannah.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1
<b>WEST SOUTH CENTRAL</b>									
Louisiana:									
New Orleans.....	1	0	0	0	3	4	0	0	0
Texas:									
Fort Worth.....	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
<b>MOUNTAIN</b>									
Colorado:									
Denver.....	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona:									
Phoenix.....	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>PACIFIC</b>									
California:									
Los Angeles.....	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0

<sup>1</sup> Typhus fever, 1 case at New York City, N. Y.<sup>2</sup> Nonresident.

The following table gives the rates per 100,000 population for 98 cities for the 5-week period ended May 21, 1932, compared with those for a like period ended May 23, 1931. The population figures used in computing the rates are estimated mid-year populations for 1931 and 1932, respectively, derived from the 1930 census. The 98 cities reporting cases have an estimated aggregate population of more than 34,000,000. The 91 cities reporting deaths have more than 32,400,000 estimated population.

*Summary of weekly reports from cities, April 17 to May 21, 1932—Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1931*<sup>1</sup>

## DIPHTHERIA CASE RATES

	Week ended—									
	Apr. 23, 1932	Apr. 25, 1931	Apr. 30, 1932	May 2, 1931	May 7, 1932	May 9, 1931	May 14, 1932	May 16, 1931	May 21, 1932	May 23, 1931
98 cities.....	51	53	43	63	49	67	44	63	39	62
New England.....	36	58	21	36	34	38	48	38	41	48
Middle Atlantic.....	55	46	52	61	48	61	42	58	14	63
East North Central.....	41	58	33	84	33	82	32	72	36	67
West North Central.....	57	67	56	57	53	71	55	71	83	75
South Atlantic.....	39	51	43	69	45	63	29	55	33	38
East South Central.....	17	23	19	6	46	41	40	18	12	12
West South Central.....	102	71	79	68	89	108	92	81	96	81
Mountain.....	86	26	35	26	9	27	26	61	54	61
Pacific.....	59	63	15	53	97	61	69	74	86	73

## MEASLES CASE RATES

98 cities.....	1, 017	1, 342	1, 200	1, 250	1, 226	1, 305	1, 157	1, 403	1, 121	1, 873
New England.....	851	1, 286	1, 818	964	1, 002	1, 063	1, 196	1, 166	951	1, 190
Middle Atlantic.....	579	1, 419	456	1, 411	478	1, 434	487	1, 496	534	1, 479
East North Central.....	2, 680	1, 073	2, 821	896	3, 317	1, 101	2, 962	1, 311	2, 908	1, 457
West North Central.....	491	830	421	777	243	1, 016	254	1, 397	188	1, 098
South Atlantic.....	339	4, 055	663	3, 877	429	3, 559	569	3, 371	498	2, 845
East South Central.....	12	1, 615	76	1, 439	0	1, 275	12	1, 245	6	1, 245
West South Central.....	26	139	43	156	40	152	30	166	46	271
Mountain.....	1, 043	661	106	661	810	555	1, 069	531	849	618
Pacific.....	916	517	1, 713	506	883	502	763	555	664	457

## SCARLET FEVER CASE RATES

98 cities.....	455	406	513	372	444	390	437	389	384	368
New England.....	678	575	971	582	678	630	647	666	693	536
Middle Atlantic.....	721	488	750	409	706	448	709	439	570	442
East North Central.....	369	431	436	402	397	438	385	453	354	412
West North Central.....	252	469	228	480	182	440	195	353	188	341
South Atlantic.....	314	305	359	273	265	277	243	243	208	241
East South Central.....	87	399	60	411	52	253	17	341	17	394
West South Central.....	46	98	43	132	43	105	23	108	49	85
Mountain.....	190	191	89	191	155	170	147	157	152	270
Pacific.....	171	86	77	94	145	106	135	123	162	88

## SMALLPOX CASE RATES

98 cities.....	8	21	5	23	8	15	5	17	6	16
New England.....	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Middle Atlantic.....	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	1	0	4
East North Central.....	2	20	3	10	0	6	4	23	3	15
West North Central.....	15	71	9	115	13	78	21	75	23	67
South Atlantic.....	0	6	0	6	0	3	0	6	0	6
East South Central.....	110	35	62	59	64	41	17	12	35	41
West South Central.....	3	98	0	102	7	64	7	41	20	47
Mountain.....	86	17	0	0	138	9	17	17	0	9
Pacific.....	23	41	81	51	25	12	11	26	17	12

See footnotes at end of table.

Summary of weekly reports from cities, April 17 to May 21, 1932—Annual rates per 100,000 population, compared with rates for the corresponding period of 1931—Continued

## TYPHOID FEVER CASE RATES

	Week ended—									
	Apr. 23, 1932	Apr. 25, 1931	Apr. 30, 1932	May 2, 1931	May 7, 1932	May 9, 1931	May 14, 1932	May 16, 1931	May 21, 1932	May 23, 1931
98 cities.....	5	3	*7	6	5	*5	6	5	*8	6
New England.....	0	2	*12	7	0	5	12	5	10	2
Middle Atlantic.....	5	4	5	7	6	5	4	5	5	5
East North Central.....	1	2	5	4	3	2	2	2	4	5
West North Central.....	2	4	*6	4	0	2	9	6	9	10
South Atlantic.....	12	2	18	14	10	8	8	12	25	12
East South Central.....	6	6	*12	12	17	6	0	18	6	18
West South Central.....	23	0	26	0	10	7	16	7	10	7
Mountain.....	9	9	*9	0	0	*0	9	0	*9	0
Pacific.....	6	4	*11	6	0	8	4	0	10	8

## INFLUENZA DEATH RATES

91 cities.....	18	13	*14	11	10	*12	9	8	*7	7
New England.....	13	7	*9	7	2	5	7	2	0	5
Middle Atlantic.....	18	12	8	12	8	11	9	7	7	6
East North Central.....	13	6	13	5	5	11	8	5	5	6
West North Central.....	20	18	*16	12	12	6	6	9	20	8
South Atlantic.....	29	10	27	20	24	22	6	16	6	4
East South Central.....	38	45	*14	19	50	51	44	51	6	19
West South Central.....	30	55	40	38	10	14	7	7	24	28
Mountain.....	9	17	*53	26	34	*27	9	9	*0	26
Pacific.....	9	5	*6	2	5	7	7	7	0	0

## PNEUMONIA DEATH RATES

91 cities.....	107	138	*107	122	108	*117	103	102	*97	95
New England.....	146	132	*187	154	129	130	98	113	125	72
Middle Atlantic.....	128	165	110	141	120	144	130	121	109	121
East North Central.....	72	98	78	76	91	87	91	78	86	68
West North Central.....	143	230	*180	180	70	121	102	109	105	97
South Atlantic.....	118	168	141	180	131	131	120	127	102	111
East South Central.....	113	127	*150	121	75	121	63	127	75	121
West South Central.....	101	145	87	152	128	114	57	114	77	97
Mountain.....	112	104	*71	61	86	*98	69	78	*184	70
Pacific.....	51	46	*54	46	67	70	53	55	46	55

<sup>1</sup> The figures given in this table are rates per 100,000 population, annual basis, and not the number of cases reported. Populations used are estimated as of July 1, 1932, and 1931, respectively.

<sup>2</sup> Newark, N. J., Kansas City, Mo., Fargo, N. Dak., Topeka, Kans., Covington, Ky., Billings, Mont., Denver, Colo., and Los Angeles, Calif., not included.

<sup>3</sup> Billings, Mont., not included.

<sup>4</sup> Boise, Idaho, not included.

<sup>5</sup> Newark, N. J., not included.

<sup>6</sup> Kansas City, Mo., not included.

<sup>7</sup> Covington, Ky., not included.

<sup>8</sup> Billings, Mont., and Denver, Colo., not included.

<sup>9</sup> Los Angeles, Calif., not included.

## FOREIGN AND INSULAR

### CANADA

*Provinces—Communicable diseases—Week ended May 14, 1932.*—The Department of Pensions and National Health of Canada reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended May 14, 1932, as follows:

Province	Cerebro-spinal fever	Influenza	Lethargic encephalitis	Poliomyelitis	Smallpox	Typhoid fever
Prince Edward Island <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Nova Scotia.....	.....	16	.....	.....	.....	.....
New Brunswick <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Quebec.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	7
Ontario.....	2	2	.....	1	.....	7
Manitoba.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Saskatchewan.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Alberta <sup>1</sup> .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
British Columbia.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	4	18	1	1	1	16

<sup>1</sup> No case of any disease included in the table was reported during the week.

*Quebec Province—Communicable diseases—Week ended May 14, 1932.*—The Bureau of Health of the Province of Quebec, Canada, reports cases of certain communicable diseases for the week ended May 14, 1932, as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	1	Ophthalmia neonatorum.....	1
Chicken pox.....	47	Scarlet fever.....	62
Diphtheria.....	24	Tuberculosis.....	86
Erysipelas.....	7	Typhoid fever.....	7
German measles.....	9	Whooping cough.....	25
Measles.....	116		

### CZECHOSLOVAKIA

*Communicable diseases—March, 1932.*—During the month of March, 1932, certain communicable diseases were reported in Czechoslovakia as follows:

Disease	Cases	Deaths	Disease	Cases	Deaths
Anthrax.....	4	.....	Puerperal fever.....	67	17
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	10	4	Scarlet fever.....	1,573	28
Diphtheria.....	1,934	128	Trachoma.....	100	.....
Dysentery.....	23	4	Typhoid fever.....	290	28
Malaria.....	17	.....	Typhus fever.....	1	.....
Paratyphoid fever.....	17	2			

## DENMARK

*Communicable diseases—March, 1932.*—During the month of March, 1932, cases of certain communicable diseases were reported in Denmark as follows:

Disease	Cases	Disease	Cases
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	7	Paratyphoid fever.....	11
Chicken pox.....	64	Poliomyelitis.....	4
Diphtheria and croup.....	251	Puerperal fever.....	16
Erysipelas.....	276	Scabies.....	728
German measles.....	10	Scarlet fever.....	169
Gonorrhea.....	804	Syphilis.....	92
Influenza.....	59, 146	Typhoid fever.....	2
Lethargic encephalitis.....	9	Undulant fever (Bac. abort. Bang).....	46
Measles.....	2, 992	Whooping cough.....	2, 969
Mumps.....	252		

## TRINIDAD

*Port of Spain—Vital statistics—April, 1931, 1932.*—During the months of April, 1932 and 1931, certain vital statistics were reported in Port of Spain, Trinidad, as follows:

	April, 1932	April, 1931		April, 1932	April, 1931
Number of births.....	183	170	Deaths under 1 year.....	17	19
Birth rate per 1,000 population....	31.6	30.1	Deaths under 1 year per 1,000 births.....	92.9	111.8
Number of deaths.....	90	109			
Death rate per 1,000 population....	15.5	19.3			

From medical officers of the Public Health Service, American consuls, International Office of Public Hygiene, Pan American Sanitary Bureau, health section of the League of Nations, and other sources. The reports contained in the following tables must not be considered as complete or final as regards either the list of countries included or the figures for the particular countries for which reports are given.

## CHOLERA

[O indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

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## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued

## CHOLERA—Continued

[O indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

Place	Nov. 15- Dec. 12, 1931	Dec. 13, 1931- Jan. 9, 1932	Dec. 13, Jan. 10- Feb. 6, 1932	Week ended—											
				February, 1932			March, 1932			April, 1932			May, 1932		
				13	20	27	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
India (Portuguese).....	3	1													
Indo-China (see also table below):	3	1													
Pnompenh.....			2												
Saigon and Cholon.....	P	2	1			1					1		1	1	1
Saigon.....															
Amara.....	3	2													
Amara Province.....	4	2													
Muntadq Province.....	3														
Muntadq Province.....	2														
Nasiriyah.....	3														
Nasiriyah.....	8														
Nasiriyah.....	7														
Persia:															
Abadan.....	1														
Ahvaz.....	47														
Ahvaz.....	39														
Khorramabad.....	159	3													
Khorramabad.....	115	10													
Khorramabad.....	115														
Kohi Begman.....															
Philippine Islands: Capiz Province.....	27	26	22	13	10									1	1
Philippine Islands: Capiz Province.....	19	19	20	12	8										
Siam:															
Ayudhya Province.....	1		1						1			1	1		
Ayudhya Province.....	1		1						1			1	1		
Bangkok.....	1		1					1	1			1	1		
Bangkok.....	1		1					1	1			1	1		
On vessel:															
S. S. Angora at Rangoon from Calcutta.....															
S. S. Narbada at Rangoon from Calcutta.....											1		1		

1 A suspected case.

\* Figures for cholera in the Philippine Islands are subject to correction.



Place	Octo-ber, 1931	No-vem-ber, 1931	De-cem-ber, 1931	Jan-u-ary, 1932	February, 1932			March, 1932			April, 1932		
					1-10	11-20	21-29	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-30
Indo-China (French) (see also table above):													
Annam <sup>1</sup>	0				4								
Cambodia <sup>1</sup>	0	19	3	12	3	2		6	1	3	4	1	20
Cochin-China <sup>1</sup>	0	18	2	6	2			3	1	1	3		8
	0	14	6	14	7		P	3	2	4	3	6	18
Laos <sup>1</sup>	0	13	4	7	5			2	1	2	7	3	13
	0										3		

<sup>1</sup> Reports incomplete.PLAGUE<sup>1</sup>

Place	Week ended—													
	February, 1932				March, 1932				April, 1932				May, 1933	
	Nov. 15-1931	Dec. 12, 1931	Dec. 19, 1931	Jan. 6, 1932	Jan. 10-1932	Jan. 17, 1932	Feb. 3, 1932	Feb. 10-1932	Feb. 17, 1932	Feb. 24, 1932	Mar. 2, 1932	Mar. 9, 1932	Mar. 16, 1932	Mar. 23, 1932
Argentina: Cordoba Province <sup>2</sup>	0			1	1									
Algeria:														
San Miguel Island	0	5												
Tercera Island	0	16												
Belgian Congo	0	6												
British East Africa (see also table below):														
Tanganyika	0			1										
Uganda	0	145	10	31	10									
	0	138	63	26	31									
Canary Islands: Palma Island—Los Llanos	0			8										
	0													1

<sup>1</sup> Including plague in the United States and its possessions.<sup>2</sup> 10 cases of bubonic plague were reported in Cordoba Province, Argentina, in January, 1932. They were distant from railroad and 500 kilometers from ports.

## PLAGUE !—Continued

[C indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

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### An Imported case.



## SMALLPOX

Place	Week ended—																
	Nov. 15- Dec. 12, 1931	Dec. 13- Jan. 9, 1932	Jan. 10- Feb. 6, 1932	February, 1932				March, 1932				April, 1932				May, 1932	
				13	20	27	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30		
Aden.....			2							1							
Algeria.....																	
Algiers.....		1															
Constantine Department.....														1			
Philippeville.....															1		1
Southern Territories.....				2													
Brazil.....																	
Porto Alegre (alastrim).....	51	35	34	12		3	4		3	1	1	2	1				
Rio de Janeiro.....	1	2															
Santos.....	1	1															
British East Africa: Tanganyika.....	2	55	24	4	1												
British South Africa: Northern Rhodesia.....		7	5														
Southern Rhodesia.....												4					
Canada.....																	
Alberta.....	3	11															
British Columbia.....	2	2	18	8	10	4	3	7			2	1					
Manitoba.....			10										1				
Nova Scotia.....	1					1											
Ontario.....	11	14	6	4	16		1	1				3	2	4			1
North Bay.....			1														
Toronto.....	1								8								
Quebec.....		3	1														
Saskatchewan.....	34	11	35		23		7	5				1		1	5	2	3
Chile: Tacopilla.....																	
China:																	
Amoy.....	46	218	183	35	34	30	22	15	12	8	10	7	6	4	1		
Canton.....	36	79	91	11	14	12	7	5	7	3	10	4	3	3	1		
Foochow.....	14	18	27	18	6	5	15	21	18	29	11	24	18	22	17	19	9
Hankow.....																1	
Hong Kong.....	P	P	P		P	1	1	P		P	3	2	1	P			
Manchuria—Dairen.....	29	47	59		2	1	1										
	6	12	5		1	19	6	12	7	17	9	12	13	21	9	7	
		1	11		2	9	3	7	6	7	8	2	6	6	6	7	
	1		1		1			3	1			6	7				

123 cases of smallpox with 8 deaths were reported at Vancouver, British Columbia, from Jan. 1 to Feb. 18, 1932.









Place	No- vem- ber, 1931	De- cem- ber, 1931	January, 1932				February, 1932				March, 1932				April, 1932			
			1-10				11-20				1-10				11-20			
			1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-29	1-10	11-20	21-31	1-10	11-20	21-30	1-10	11-20	21-30	
S. S. Belasco at Mobile from Habana, Cuba, and Hull, England.....	O	1																
S. S. Frauenfels at Suez from Calcutta.....	O		1															
S. S. Uwakima Maru at Osaka from Shanghai.....	O																	
S. S. President Jackson at Yokohama from San Francisco via Honolulu.....	O	1																
S. S. Hong Kong at Singapore from Amoy, via Swatow and Hong Kong.....	O																	
S. S. Hai Ning and S. S. Solviken at Hong Kong.....	O																	
S. S. Merkara at Aden from Colombo.....	O																	
S. S. Tjalsdane at Hong Kong from Shanghai and Amoy.....	O																	
S. S. Poofang at Shanghai.....	O																	
S. S. Rajula at Penang from Negapatam.....	O																	
S. S. MacGillivray at Suez from Rangoon.....	O																	
S. S. Teluri at Southampton from New Zealand.....	O																	
S. S. Glenbank at Suez from Aden.....	O																	
Gold Coast.....	O				2													
Indo-China (see also table above).....	O	120	93	11	107	191	145	206	309	230	275	222	178	247	146			
Ivory Coast.....	O	22	93	11	52	86	47	98	86	109	113	120	80	97	64			
Syria: Beirut.....	O	1		2	3								1					
Chosen.....	O	7	2	1														
France.....	O	1	6	1														
Guatemala.....	O	6	1															
Place	No- vem- ber, 1931	De- cem- ber, 1931	Jan- uary, 1932	Febru- ary, 1932	March, 1932	Place	Octo- ber, 1931	Novem- ber, 1931	De- cem- ber, 1931	Jan- uary, 1932	Febru- ary, 1932	March, 1932						
Chosen.....	O	7	2	1		Mexico (see also table above).....	427	419	423									
France.....	O	1	6	1		Morocco.....	91	152	279									
Guatemala.....	O	6	1			Turkey (see also table above).....												
Place	No- vem- ber, 1931	De- cem- ber, 1931	Jan- uary, 1932	Febru- ary, 1932	March, 1932	Place	Octo- ber, 1931	Novem- ber, 1931	De- cem- ber, 1931	Jan- uary, 1932	Febru- ary, 1932	March, 1932						
Chosen.....	O	7	2	1		Mexico (see also table above).....	427	419	423									
France.....	O	1	6	1		Morocco.....	91	152	279									
Guatemala.....	O	6	1			Turkey (see also table above).....												

\* A suspected case.





## CHOLERA, PLAGUE, SMALLPOX, TYPHUS FEVER, AND YELLOW FEVER—Continued

## YELLOW FEVER

[O indicates cases; D, deaths; P, present]

Place	Week ended—											
	February, 1933			March, 1933			April, 1933			May 1933		
	13	20	27	5	12	19	26	2	9	16	23	30
Brazil:												
Bahia State.....												
Esplanada.....												
Ceara State.....												
Espirito Santo State <sup>1</sup> .....												
Santa Teresa (about 66 miles from Victoria).....				1		2			1	P		
Dahomey: Porto Novo.....								1				
Gold Coast:												
Accra.....												
Cape Coast.....									1			
Dagomba District.....					P							
Sagala.....												
Tamale.....												
Yendi.....												
Nigeria:												
Togo (French): Atakpame—Anle Circle.....												

<sup>1</sup> During the 3 weeks ended Apr. 30, 1932, a number of cases of suspected yellow fever were reported in the interior of the State.